



OHIO DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

DISTRICT 02

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Environmental Document

for

SEN 19/101 9.96/11.82/10.15 Stru PID 97424

Environmental Document Level: C2

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The environmental review, consultation, and other actions required by applicable Federal environmental laws for this project are being, or have been, carried out by ODOT pursuant to 23 U.S.C. 327 and a Memorandum of Understanding dated June 6, 2018, and executed by FHWA and ODOT.

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PID: 97424
Project Sponsor: DISTRICT 2 ENGINEERING
ODOT District: 2
Funding Source: Federal
Private Funding: No

Project Description:

The Ohio Department of Transportation is planning to replace three structurally deficient culverts on State Routes (SR) 19 and 101 Seneca County (see mapping in project file). Work at these locations will also include minor stream realignment (see **Stage 2 Design.pdf** in the project file):

- Culvert on SR 19 at mile marker 11.82 carrying a UT to Sugar Creek under the roadway.
- Culvert on SR 19 at mile marker 16.68 carrying a UT to Owl Creek under the roadway.
- Culvert on SR 101 at mile marker 10.15 carrying a UT to Owl Creek under the roadway. A pedestrian bridge located approximately 60' west of this culvert will also be removed to better accommodate stream flow.

The environmental document and associated studies were initially conducted based off a footprint provided by the ODOT Project Manager (see **Preliminary Footprint.pdf** in the project file). The extent of this footprint included all areas contained in Stage 2 Design Plans. Minor amounts of right-of-way will be required in order to complete this project. Utility impacts, if any, will be coordinated by the ODOT District Utility Coordinator prior to construction. Traffic detours will be in place during construction; MOT is not known at this time. Construction is anticipated to begin in the summer of 2021.

STIP Reference # SLI 32

Select the appropriate project type:

(28) Bridge rehabilitation, reconstruction, or replacement or the construction of grade separation to replace existing at-grade railroad crossings, if the actions meet the constraints in 23 CFR 771.117(e). **Examples include: Railroad projects that close or relocate at-grade crossings**

In accordance with 23 CFR 771.117(e), the proposed project cannot be processed as a C2 CE, if it involves -
a. Acquisition of more than a minor amount of right-of-way b. Residential or non-residential displacements c. A Coast Guard, Individual Section 404 and/or a Section 10 permit d. A Section 106 finding of Adverse Effect e. A Section 4(f) Programmatic or Individual Evaluation f. A finding of May Affect, Likely to Adversely Affect to Threatened and Endangered Species g. Construction of temporary access, or the closure of existing road, bridge, or ramps, that would result in major traffic disruptions h. Changes in access control i. Floodplain encroachment other than functionally dependent uses (e.g., bridges, wetlands) or actions that facilitate open space use (e.g., recreational trails, bicycle and pedestrian paths) j. Construction activities in, across or adjacent to a river component designated or proposed for inclusion in the National System of Wild and



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Scenic Rivers k. No minor public or agency controversy on environmental grounds (no opposition from any organized groups or agencies and no unresolved environmental coordination) l. If an EJ Analysis Report is required, the project must be processed as a D-level CE or higher level document For certification purposes, documentation is required to illustrate no significant impacts will occur to the following environmental resources and that no unusual circumstances exist that would warrant a higher level of NEPA document. Upload all supporting documentation to the project file.

Waterways:	Present; No Coast Guard, Individual 404, and/or Section 10 Permit required
Waterways Permit Type:	Permit Determination and/or Permit Application Approval Pending
Isolated Wetland Permit	No
Endangered Species:	Present; No finding of May Affect, Likely to Adversely Affect
Endangered Species - Coordination	May Affect, Not Likely to Adversely Affect
Endangered Species - Coordination Date	03/30/2020
Endangered Species - Critical Habitat Present/Impacted	
Indiana bat	
Northern long-eared bat	
Endangered Species - Other Critical Habitat Present/Impacted:	No
100-Year Floodplain:	No Encroachment Within a Special Flood Hazard Area (SFHA)
Section 4(f):	Not present
Section 6(f):	Not present
Cultural Resources:	Present; No Finding of Adverse Effect
Cultural Resources Coordination:	Minimum Potential to Cause Effect Appendix B
Cultural Resources Coordination - ODOT Approval/SHPO Concurrence Date	02/13/2020

Tribal Consultation Summary/Remarks:

ODOT initiated tribal consultation for this project on 02/13/20. On 03/12/20, Ms. Diane Hunter of the Miami Tribe issued a letter stating that "the Miami Tribe offers no objection to the above-mentioned project at this time, as we are not currently aware of existing documentation directly linking a specific Miami cultural or historic site to the project site. However, if any human remains or Native American cultural items falling under the Native American Graves Protection and Repatriation Act (NAGPRA) or archaeological evidence is discovered during any phase of this project, the Miami Tribe requests immediate consultation with the entity of jurisdiction for the location of discovery." See Tribal Comments.pdf in the project file.



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Projects that meet C2 criteria are not anticipated to have impacts to the following environmental resources. If resources are present, documentation is only required if there is a potential for impacts.

Air Quality:	Studies Not Required
Air Quality - Coordination with OES:	No
Noise:	Studies Not Required
Noise Coordination - OES Approval Date:	01/01/1900
Hazardous Materials - ESA Screening Conducted	Yes
Hazardous Materials - OES Approval Date:	02/27/2020
Phase I ESA Warranted Based on Coordination with OES:	No Further Studies Warranted
Farmland:	Non-Urbanized Area; No Impacts in Accordance With the Farmland MOU, 7 CFR 658, and ORC 929.05
Scenic Rivers	No National Wild and Scenic River Within 1000 Feet of the Proposed Project Area
Projects that meet C2 criteria must be in accordance with ODOT's UP Guidance and activities conducted for Public Involvement are commensurate to the project's type and scope of work.	
Underserved Populations	Does Not Exceed UP Guidance Criteria; No UP Analysis Report Required and No UP Issues Raised During Public Involvement
Public Involvement:	Minimum PI Requirements Met; No Minor Public or Agency Controversy on Environmental Grounds
Environmental Commitments	Yes



Environmental Commitments

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- 1) The ODOT Project Manager/Designer will insert the following note into the plans: The project is located within the known habitat ranges of the federally listed and protected Indiana bat and northern long-eared bat. No trees shall be removed under this project from April 1 through September 30. All necessary tree removal shall occur from October 1 through March 31. This requirement is necessary to avoid and minimize impacts to these species as required by the Endangered Species Act. For the purposes of this note, a tree is defined as a live, dying, or dead woody plant, with a trunk three inches or greater in diameter at a height of 4.5 feet above the ground surface, and with a minimum height of 13 feet.
- 2) Waterway impacts are expected as a result of this project. ODOT will acquire the necessary waterway permits prior to construction and include Special Provisions of the waterway permit within the plan package. The ODOT Project Manager/Designer will insert a note into the plans notifying the Contractor that ODOT will provide the waterway permit(s) at the pre-construction meeting, and that the Contractor is responsible for following the Special Provisions of the waterway permits throughout the duration of the project.
- 3) The ODOT Project Manager will insert the following note into the plans: The project is within an area that may provide habitat for the State Endangered Blanding's turtle and spotted turtle. If any turtle is found within the project work limits, crews shall wait until the species has moved off the project site unharmed before work can continue. The Contractor shall not harm or kill any turtle. If a Blanding's or spotted turtle, or what is believed to be a Blanding's or spotted turtle, is encountered, please notify the District Environmental Coordinator (Stacy Schimmoeller, Stacy.Schimmoeller@dot.ohio.gov, 419-373-4319). The District Environmental Coordinator will contact the ODNR Division of Wildlife Environmental Compliance Coordinator, Nathan Reardon, 614-265-6741, if necessary.
- 4) This project was developed to be constructed without equipment or materials being placed (permanently or temporarily) within the boundary of the wetland area northwest of the SEN-SR 19-16.68 structure. The ODOT Project Manager/Designer will show the boundary of the wetland area in the plans. The ODOT Project Manager/Designer will also insert a note describing avoidance measures.



Preparers and Approvals

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Approvals & Electronic Signatures

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Appendix

General

Aerial Map.pdf

Ecological

Coordination with ODNR and USFWS.pdf

General

Correspondence with Emergency and Public Services.pdf

County Map.pdf

General Photographs - SEN-SR 101-10.15.pdf

General Photographs - SEN-SR 19-11.82.pdf

General Photographs - SEN-SR 19-16.68.pdf

Cultural Resources

Minimal Potential to Cause Effect - Appendix B

Ecological

ODNR Comments.pdf

ODOT Disposition of Agency Comments.pdf

OES Approval - No ODNR and USFWS Notification.pdf

ESA

Project Related District Decision - ESA.pdf

General

Project Study Area Map.pdf

Other Resources

Sole Source Aquifer Mapping.pdf

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USFWS Comments Consult Form SEN-101-10.15 PID 97424.pdf

USFWS Comments Consult Form SEN-19-16.68 PID 97424.pdf

General

USGS Quadrangle Topographical Map.pdf

Underserved Populations

Census Mapping.pdf



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Permits

FEMA FIRM.pdf

Section 6(f)

LWCF Grant Listing.pdf

Public Involvement

Property Owner Notification Letter.pdf

Public Notification Mailing List.pdf

Underserved Populations

Underserved Populations Documentation Form.pdf